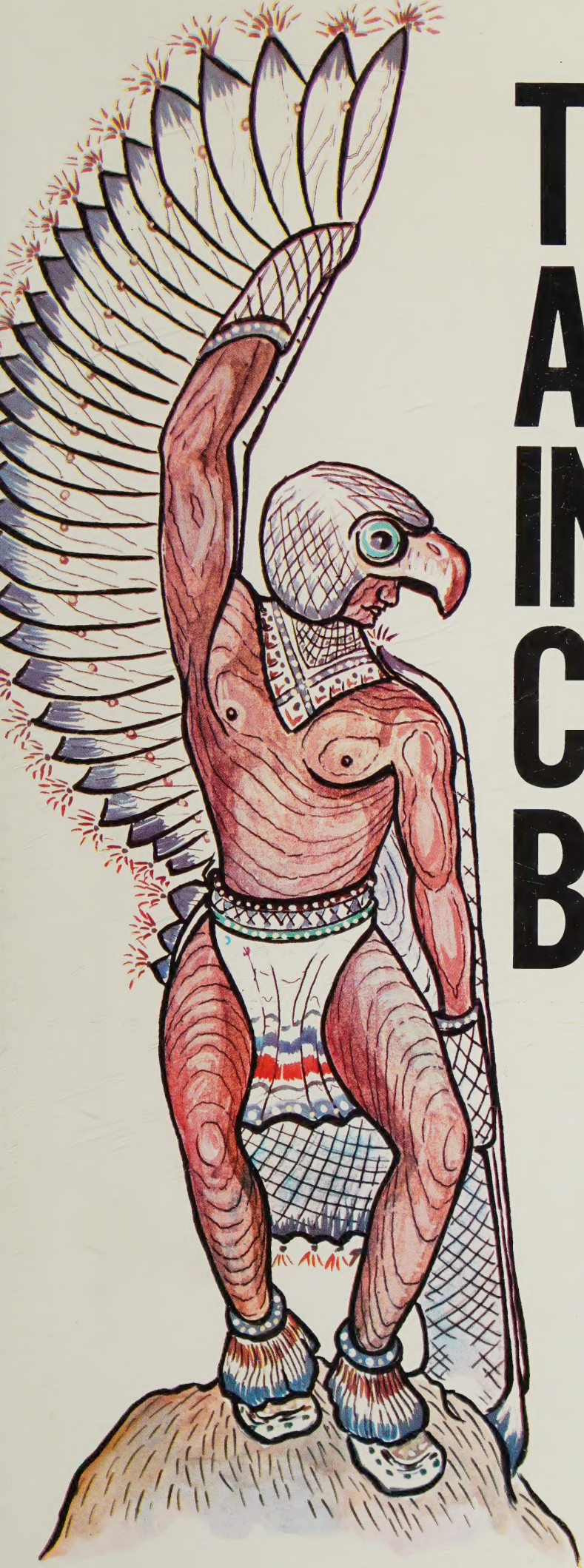




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This Coloring Book represents different parts of Indian life and some of the animals familiar to the hunting days of the Great Tribes.

Indian people lived in America many thousands of years before white people came. They hunted and fished for a living and some of them farmed.

There were many different tribes in America, including the Cherokees, the Navajo, the Comanche, the Crowes and the Siouan people.

These different tribes lived in many ways, some of them roamed the great plains of the West, following the buffalo and living in Teepees. Others lived in mud and cave houses while others constructed large houses made of logs.

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This beautiful Eagle Dancer on this cover is a drawing of the famous Eagle Dancer sculpture by Cherokee Artist, John Julius Wilnoty

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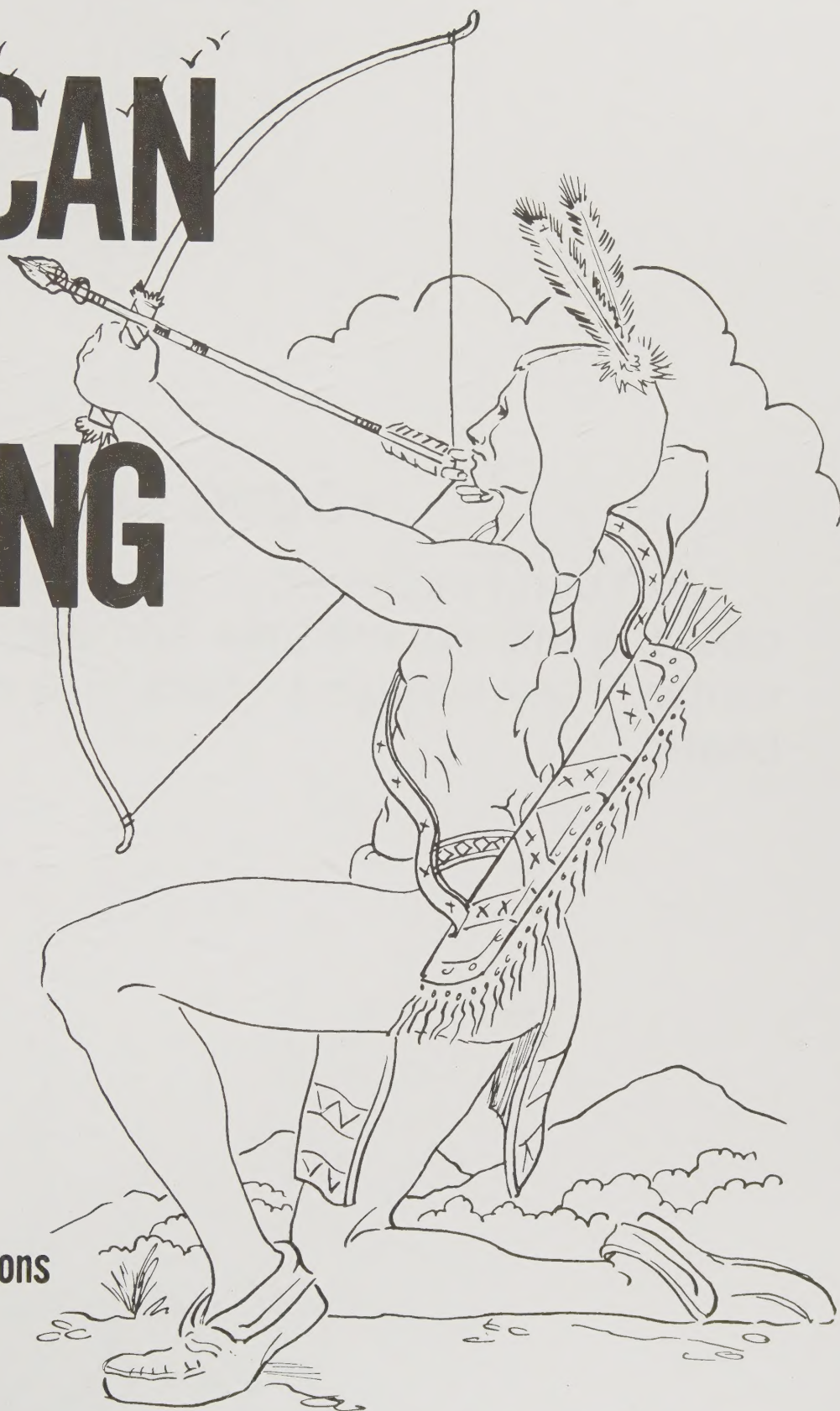
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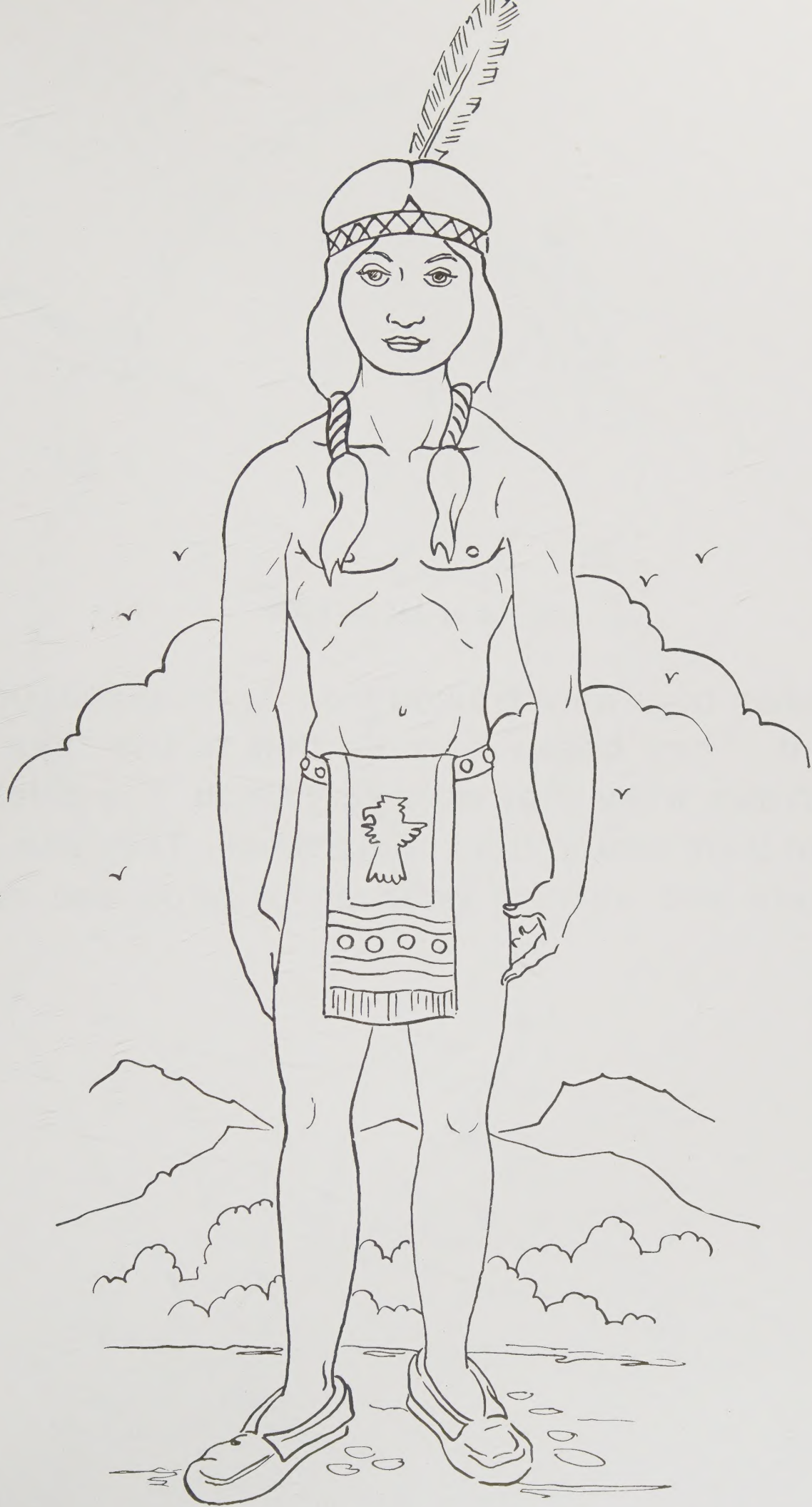
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YOUNG BRAVE

Young Indian Boys wore moccasins and breech cloths in the summertime and deerskin clothes in the winter. They learned to hunt, fish and track the great bears.



INDIAN HUNTER

Indian boys were trained from early childhood, how to hunt. They began learning how to use their bows and arrows when they were very small. The older men showed them how to track wild animals. They also learned where and when to set traps for birds and rabbits.



THE DEER

Indian people used Deer for their food and for their clothing. They used the bones for beads and tools. Parts of the deer were used for sewing thread to make moccasins.



INDIAN MOTHER

Indian mothers carried their babies on their backs in a kind of cradle that was strapped across the shoulders. This was a good way for the mothers to have their babies with them and yet leave their hands free to work. Indian women long ago farmed and took care of the children.



INDIAN CHILD

Indian children did not have to do much work when they were small. This little girl is playing in a large basket woven by her mother.



BEARS

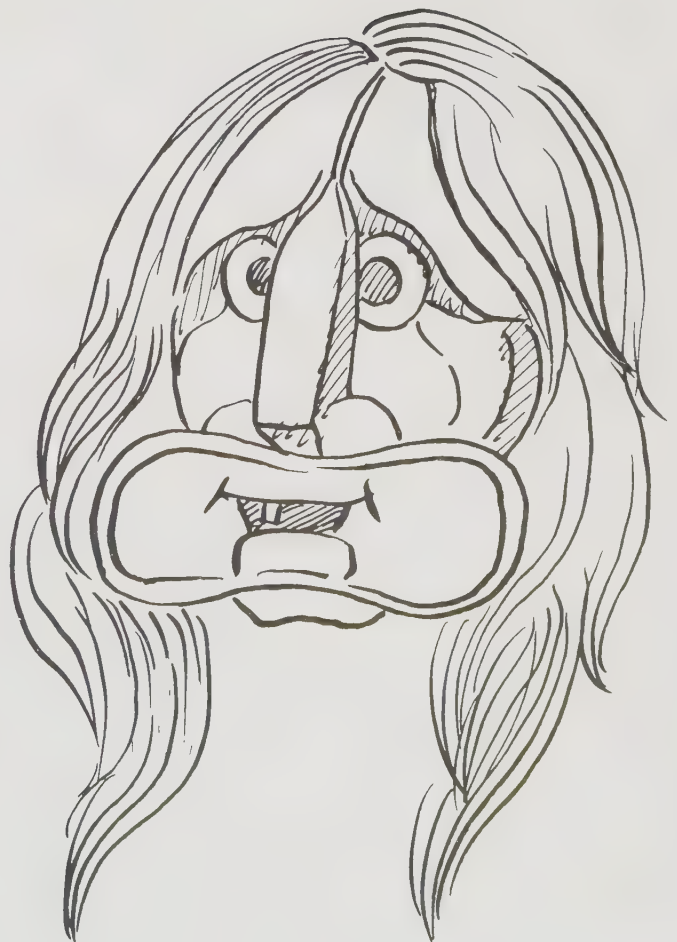
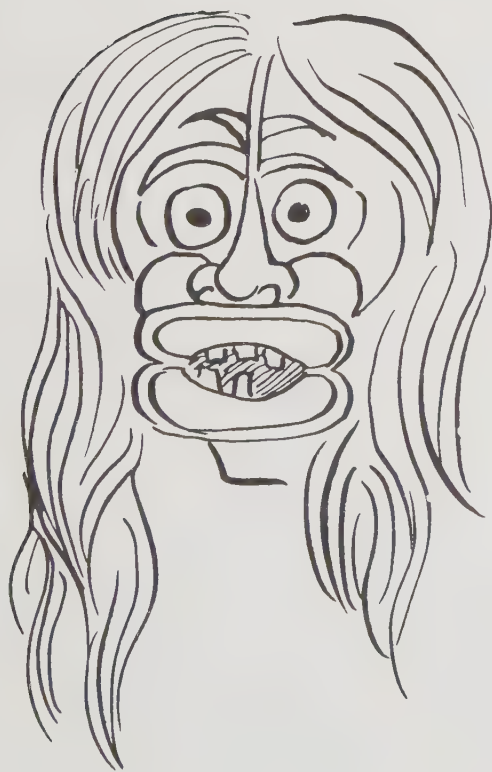
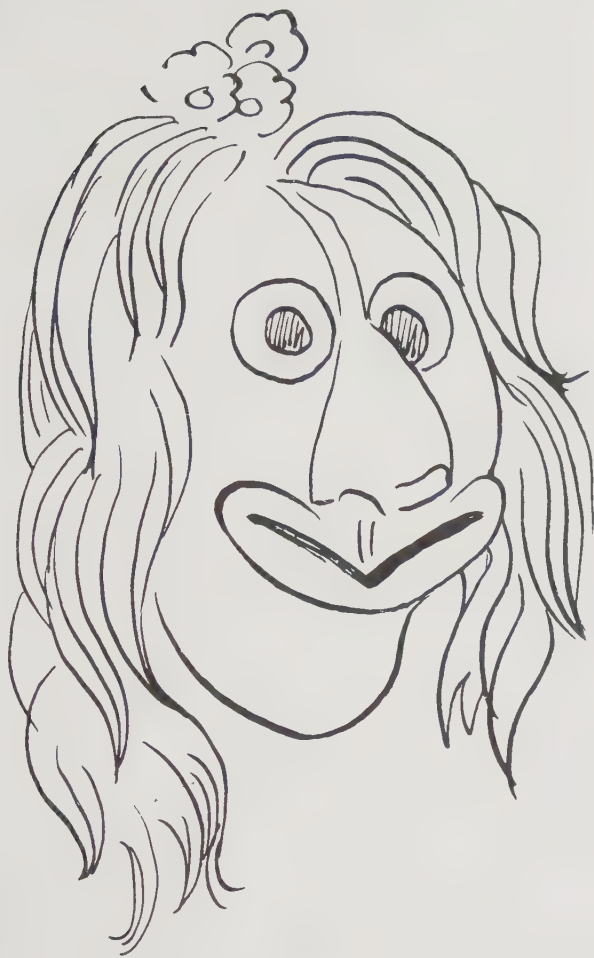
Bears lived in many parts of America and were used by Indian people for food. They also used the hides for rugs.

Bears were hard to kill because their hides were so tough that arrows did not go through easily.



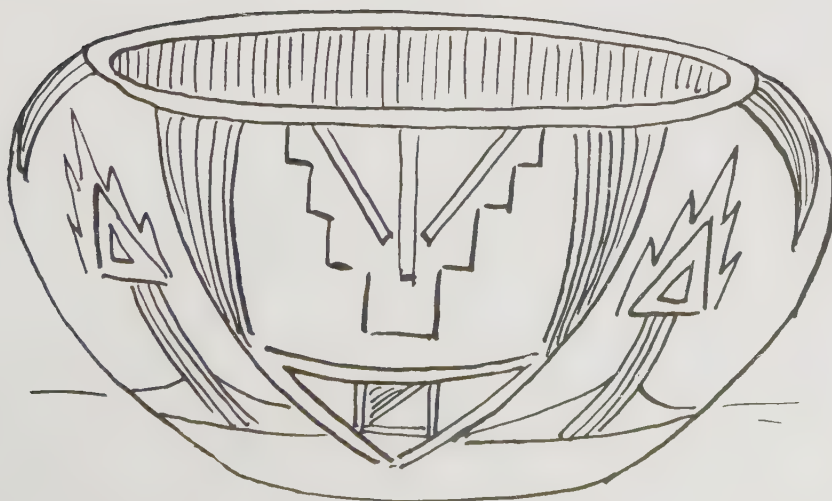
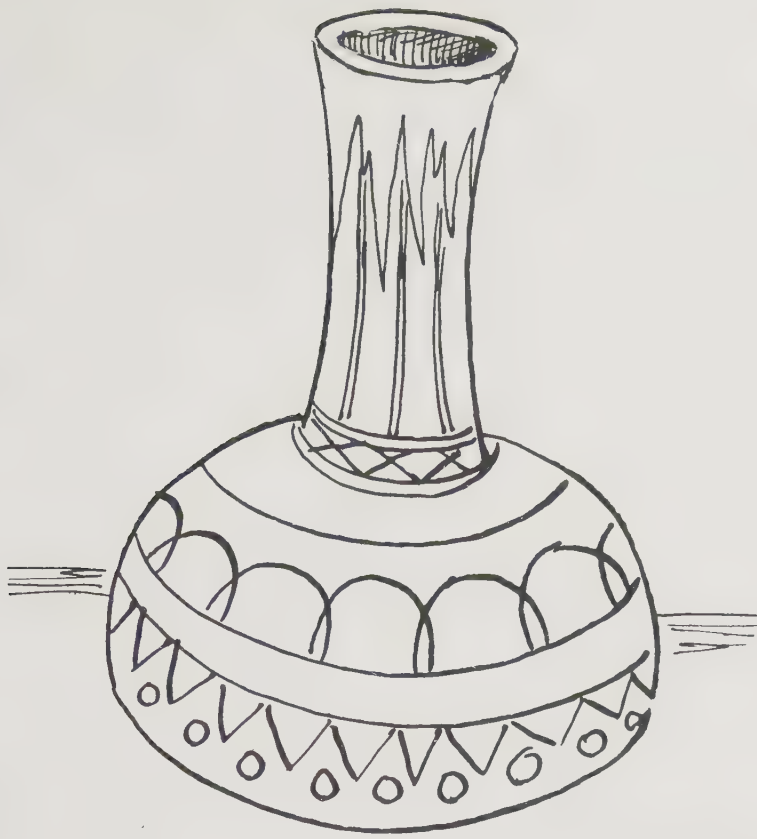
INDIAN MASKS

Indian medicine men often used masks in dances of all kinds. Some of the tribes believed that sickness was caused by evil spirits and to scare the evil spirits away they put on these ugly masks and did dances around the sick person.



INDIAN POTTERY

Indian Pottery was used in many ways. Some of it was used to carry water in. Others were used to cook and store food in. Vases were used to hold ceremonial food. The Wedding Dinner for some tribes was cooked in a double pottery bowl.



INDIAN MAIDEN

This young lady is shown in all of her fine clothes; perhaps she is looking for her brave. Her clothes are made of white deerskin and her moccasins are tanned from Elk hide. Gathered around her are the foods and things she uses in her daily life.

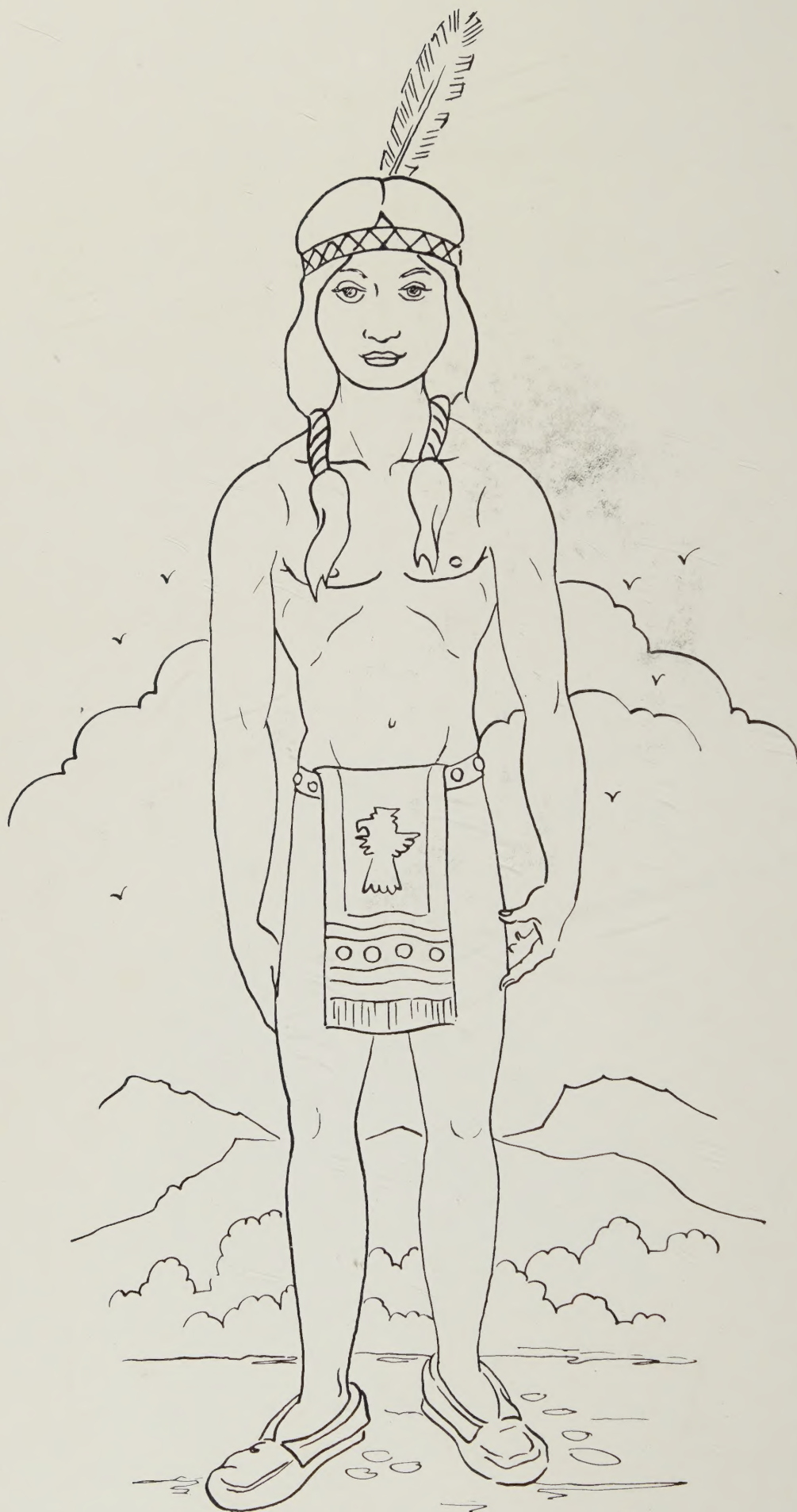


THE EAGLE DANCER

The Eagle Dance was performed by many Indian tribes of America as a victory dance after battle.

The eagle was held sacred by most tribes because of his beautiful feathers and his great sight. An eagle feather was used by Cherokee braves as a badge of manhood.





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